GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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ISSUE OF OPEN PASSES TO CCS ASSISTANTS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the practice of issuing open passes to the C.C.S. Cadre Assistants for performing important role in policy matters;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government propose to issue open passes again to them in pursuance of representations submitted by the employees federation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (I.D. SWAMI)

(a)& (b): Effective from June, 1998 open photo passes for Government servants, which entitle the holders to unrestricted entry to offices of the Central Government under the security cover of Secretariat Security Organisation are issued only to Gazetted Officers. The practice of issuing open photo passes to non-Gazetted officers, including Assistants, Personal Assistants, etc., has been discontinued. The decision is based on the reassessment of the nature of functions and responsibilities of various levels of officials and their requirement of frequent visits to various Government buildings (other than the ones where they are working), in discharge of their responsibilities. However, in appropriate cases, open photo passes are issued to non-Gazetted officials on need based basis, on the merit of each case, on the specific recommendation of the concerned Ministry/Department.

(c) : No, Sir.

(d) : Does not arise.